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Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: IMAGE-EFFECT METHOD AND APPARATUS USING CRITICAL POINTS

Enclosed are:

- 20 sheet(s) of drawing(s).
- An assignment of the inventor(s) to _____.
- Certified copies of two Japanese applications, with application number 2000-365233, dated November 30, 2000 and application number 2001-110394, dated April 9, 2001.
- Declaration and power of attorney. (not executed)
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- An Information Disclosure Statement.

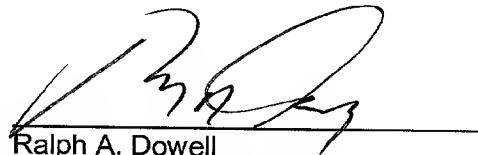
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